



If you are travelling to Australia, you need a visa. Tourists and business travellers from the United Kingdom and Ireland can easily and quickly apply for the eVisitor Australia online. All travellers, regardless of their age, require their own visa.

Mandatory	Yes
Suited for	Tourism and/or business*
Validity period	1 year (multiple trips possible)
Duration of stay	Up to 3 months per trip
Normal delivery time	On average 5 days
Urgent delivery	Essential from 8 days before departure: 95% of applications within 60 minutes
Cost	£24.95
Payment methods	Visa, Mastercard, American Express, PayPal

There are several visa types for Australia. This document is about the eVisitor visa, which can be easily requested with a digital application form. If you are not eligible, you can contact the Australian Embassy about applying for a different type of visa. To apply for the eVisitor visa, go to e-Visa.co.uk/australia or click on this button:

Apply now >

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Australia visa: who is it for?

An Australia visa is required for anyone with a nationality other than that of Australia or New Zealand. However, not all nationalities are eligible for the eVisitor visa and it is only suitable for specific travel purposes. Travellers who are nationals of the United Kingdom, Switzerland, or an EU country such as Ireland, can apply for an eVisitor visa for the following travel purposes:

- Holiday or another type of tourist travel, such as visiting friends or family
- Business trip
- Study or training of up to three months
 - Take note: attending a medical training or education is not allowed with an eVisitor visa.
- Volunteering, but only if certain requirements are met
- Transit

Transiting without a visa is only allowed if you do not leave the airport in Australia, if you have your ticket and all other required documents for the transfer flight, if you stay in Australia for less than eight hours, and if you do not have to re-check your baggage for the flight to your final destination. Transiting without a visa is only allowed for travellers who are nationals of the United Kingdom, Switzerland, or a country in the European Union.

For other travel purposes or a stay longer than three months, you have to apply for a different type of visa. You cannot do so on the website of e-Visa.co.uk, but through the Australian immigration service.

Requirements for the eVisitor visa

In addition to the requirements regarding the travel purpose and the nationality of the applicant, there are other requirements with regard to the passport, medical background, and background of the traveller. If the immigration service suspects that you pose a threat to the country, your visa application will be rejected. You have to meet all the following requirements:

Passport

- Your passport is valid for at least three more months upon arrival.
- You are travelling with the same passport you used when applying for the visa.

Health

- You do not have (any symptoms related to) tuberculosis.
- It is not to be expected that your trip to Australia will lead to high healthcare-related costs or longer waiting times for care with limited capacity.
- There is no risk of you going into labour during your trip.

Safety, finances and behaviour

- You and/or your family members do not have debts with the Australian government.
- You have sufficient financial means to finance both your stay and your return journey.
- You have never been guilty of domestic violence or sexual child abuse.
- You have (cumulatively) never been sentenced to imprisonment for more than 12 months.
- You cannot be suspected of causing serious trouble.
- You are not on the run and are not wanted by Interpol.
- You have never been involved with parties, organisations, groups, or individuals believed to have been involved in criminal activities.
- There is no reason to suspect that you have been involved with crimes against humanity, with no regard to whether you have been sentenced for them or not.
 - This includes (alleged) involvement in serious criminal offences such as human trafficking, enabling slavery, torture, war crimes and genocide.

If you do not meet all the requirements or if you have doubts about this, you can, in most cases, still apply for a different visa through the immigration service. Contact the <u>Australian High</u>

<u>Commission</u> for more information about this.

Validity period

The eVisitor visa has a total validity of 12 months and during this period, it can be used for multiple trips. During each trip, you can stay in the country for up to three consecutive months. Only the arrival date has to fall within the validity period. A traveller who arrives in Australia on day 365 (the last day of the validity period) is still allowed to stay in the country for three months after arrival.

Is your passport still valid long enough when you arrive?

Keep in mind that in order to stay in Australia for three months with your visa, your passport also has to remain valid for at least three more months after arrival. This has to be the passport you used for your visa application. This passport has to remain valid during the entire stay in Australia. Your visa expires when the validity of your passport expires. If you apply for a new passport, you have to reapply for a new visa for your next trip to Australia.

It is not possible to stay in Australia for longer than three months with an eVisitor visa. The eVisitor visa cannot be extended. If you want to stay in Australia longer than three months, you have to apply for a visa with a longer allowed validity before departure, such as the Working Holiday Visa. You cannot apply for this visa through e-Visa.co.uk.

Correct information required for entry into Australia

An approved visa application is no guarantee that you will actually be allowed to enter Australia. At all times, the country's immigration service has the right to deny travellers access to Australia, even if they have a valid visa. In rare cases, an application can be rejected. If this happens, it is mostly due to details that were entered incorrectly in the application form.

You should therefore check carefully whether you have filled out the application form correctly and completely before submitting the application. If you have had an Australia visa in the past, you may be asked to fill out the Visa Grant Number or the Visa Label Number of that previous visa. If you do not have this number, you may leave these fields empty. The only thing that may occur is that this will cause a slight delay in processing your new application.

Easily apply for your Australia visa

Apply for your visa first, and only book your trip if you have the visa. You can <u>easily apply for your visa online</u> using the digital application form on e-Visa.co.uk. Completing this form only takes five to ten minutes. Check whether your passport is still valid long enough for the planned trip before starting the visa application. If this is not the case, you have to apply for a new passport first. The eVisitor visa is digitally linked to your passport and is only valid with this passport.

Completing the application form: passport details

In the application form, you are first asked to provide the applicant's contact information and then a number of details about the trip. Lastly, you are asked to provide several details about the traveller, such as passport details. In the part relating to the travel details, you are asked for the expected arrival date, among others. The arrival date you enter in the form does not necessarily have to be the date you arrive in Australia. You only have to indicate an estimate.

All passport details must be entered correctly. This includes the passport number, the traveller's first and last names, the traveller's birthdate and the passport's issue and expiry dates. You can fill in the passport number using either uppercase or lowercase letters. If, upon approval, you received a visa containing an error in any of this information, even this initially visa is invalid for travel to Australia.

Names always have to be entered as they appear in the machine-readable zone of the passport. These are the two bottom lines with many "<<<" marks on the information page of your passport. For travellers with accents or punctuation marks in their first and/or last names (for example, ü or é), the spelling is automatically converted to the spelling of the name as it appears in the machine-readable zone.

Application page: document upload, checking and assessing your passport copy

After submitting your payment, currently uploading a digital passport page photo or scan is also required for the eVisitor visa application for Australia. This copy needs to show the full page containing your passport photo clearly and without modifications or watermarks. Does your passport show your autograph on a different page? In this case, there's no need to include the additional page for the digital passport copy upload.

Only after receiving a suitable passport copy for all travellers, your application can be processed. Please follow the instructions as indicated in your personal account for the Australia visa

application. Please note: until the approval of the required copy, or copies in the event of multiple travellers, you will not have filed a complete application.

One of the advantages of submitting a visa application through e-Visa.co.uk is that the application is checked for common errors, for example, if you have swapped the letter "O" and the number "O". As the British passport number always consists of nine digits, it can never be the letter "O". Nor can the letter "O" appear as the first or second character of an Irish passport number, as these always start with the letter "P" or "L", followed by another letter and seven digits.

Cost Australia visa

In the case of a standard application, the cost of the visa is £24.95 per person. Do you need to travel to Australia at short notice? In that case, you can apply for an urgent visa up to one business day ahead of your travel. For an <u>urgent application of the Australia visa</u>, you pay an additional £17.50 for each traveller. You can safely pay the visa cost online with Visa, Mastercard, American Express, or PayPal. After completing the payment, the visa is approved within five days on average. In the case of an urgent application, the average delivery time is 60 minutes. However, processing an urgent application can take longer, for example, because of a random check by the Australian immigration service. Once you have completed the payment, you will receive a confirmation email with a link to your personal status page. On this page, you can find all the information you need regarding the status and progress of your visa application.

After approval of your visa application

Once your application is approved, you will receive another email and a text message. In this email, you will also find a link to your personal status page. From this page, you can download the visa and print it out if necessary.

The eVisitor visa always states "8115 Business visitor activity" and "8201 - maximum three months study". You do not have to take this into account. This information is on the visa because you can use the eVisitor for attending a short study and for certain business activities in Australia, among others. However, you can, of course, also just use this visa for tourist travel.

Printing of the eVisitor is not required

At passport control, it is important that each traveller can provide a visa. You can print the visa and take it with you during your trip, but it is also sufficient if you can show it on the screen of a

laptop, tablet, or smart phone. Always keep the digital copy of the visa in your carry-on luggage so that you can always access it.

Any questions?

Do you have any questions after reading the information in this document? In case of a pending application, check your status page or search for the <u>status information in regard to your eVisitor visa</u> via the website. Also, take a look at the answers to the <u>frequently asked questions about the Australia visa</u> on e-Visa.co.uk. If you are unable to figure it out, you can, of course, always contact us.